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In the year 1790, the census figures showed there were 84 families by the name of Stoer, Stover, Stoover, and Stever, in the United States. In the State of Maine, there were 21 families; in Pennsylvania, 34; Virginia, 16; Connecticut, 2; North Carolina, 2; and five of the other colonies had one each. The Stover ancestors hailed from Virginia, but the records are very incomplete as so many of them were destroyed during the Revolutionary War and the Civil War.

The first record we found of the Stover's was a Jacob Stauffer, whose name had been Stouffer, then Stiver, then Stover, and finally "Stover", who came from Westphalia in Prussia, near the Rhine River. He settled in this country in a German settlement in Orange County, Virginia. He might be one of our ancestors.

Jacob Stauffer, or "Stover" as he came to be called, founded a town called Staufferstadt. It was near the Shenandoah Mountains, and is now called "Strasburg", in Virginia. He obtained a grant of 10,000 acres of land there in 1728.

The records also indicate that there was a Jeremiah, Jacob and Peter Stover on the polling list at the time George Washington was elected President of the United States; Jacob Stover died in Orange County, Virginia in 1741. He may have been our great, great grandfather.

Jeremiah Stover was our Great Grandfather's name. He was in the Revolutionary War eight years, and served as one of Washington's body guards. When he went to War, he left his wife and six children - Jacob, Jeremiah, Obadiah, Moses, Rich, John and Joseph. He was taken prisoner in the War and while in prison took ill. He did not reach home until a year or two after the war was over and he walked all the way home. He was carrying a pack on his back and was

so emaciated and bent over that Great Grandmother did not recognize him when she saw him coming. He was still weak from his illness, while in prison, and Great Grandmother nursed him back to health, then she died. Great Grandfather Jeremiah re-married and five children were born to this second marriage, making eleven children in all.

Out of this family of eleven children, Joseph Stover was our Grandfather. He was born in Virginia, Sept. 11, 1777. He did not like his step-mother, so when he was eight years old, his father bound him out to his brother Jacob, who had married a woman by the name of Sally Wells, who was a Quaker and could swear by note. This woman was very abusive to Grandfather Joseph. One day she made him carry water all day from the spring up a hill and then pour it out. At the age of 12 years, he ran away. He was bareheaded, barefooted, and had only a quarter in his pocket. He came to a town, saw a pocketbook in one of the stores, and thinking he might need this, purchased it for 25¢. After buying the pocketbook he found he had nothing to put in it.

Young Joseph travelled until dusk and stopped at a house to ask if he could stay all night. The man at this house asked him his name, where he was going and why. He told the man how shamefully his red-headed, one-eyed, sister-in-law had treated him. The man said, "I am going to take you back to Jacob in the morning; he is a member of the same Masonic Lodge as I am." During the night, however, the man changed his mind and in the morning took a bottle that had a buckskin string tied to it and let it down into the whiskey barrel. He filled the bottle and gave it to Joseph and told him to be on his way. Joseph wandered on to Tennessee, and never saw any of his folks again, except his sister Ruth, who married a man by the name of Proffit and lived near St. Louis, Missouri.

During the War of the Rebellion some of Ruth Proffit's relatives were on the Confederate side and some of ours on the Union side. I think it was at Vicksburg where the soldiers could visit across the trenches, that Johnny Rob

said, "Give me a chew of tobacco," then asked the name. When he heard "Stover" he said, "That was my mother's name." Ruth Proffit came to see us after the war was over and visited all winter with her brother, Joseph Stover, at his home where the airport is now located. (Note: Joe says he remembers her being here).

Joseph Stover served on the frontier in the War of 1812. He lived in Indiana. He married Esther Yount April 4, 1811, in Tennessee. Esther was born in North Carolina May 6, 1785. She and Joseph Stover lived together 59 years, 6 months and 25 days, or until her death on October 29, 1870. They lived to celebrate their golden wedding anniversary. Esther Yount had a twin sister who was drowned in the Platte River on her way to California. She also had a brother, George Yount, who went to Oregon to live.

Grandfather Joseph Stover and his wife Esther lived for a time in Tennessee after they were married, and finally located in Indiana at Hagerstown near Fort Wayne. Below are the names and dates of birth of all their children. They were copied out of Grandfather Stover's Bible. I know these names and dates are correct because they were in my father (Jeremiah Stover's) handwriting. All of their children were born in Wayne County, Indiana:

1. Elizabeth Stover - - - - - born March 8, 1812
2. Rachel Stover - - - - - " May 16, 1813
3. Sarah Stover - - - - - " January 18, 1815
4. Katherine Stover - - - - - " August 6, 1816
5. Mary Stover - - - - - " January 28, 1818
6. Jeremiah Stover - - - - - " September 7, 1819
7. Ruth Stover - - - - - " September 10, 1821
8. Jacob Yount Stover - - - - - " August 4, 1823
9. Susanna Stover - - - - - " March 12, 1825
10. Margaret Stover - - - - - " August 20, 1827
11. John Stover - - - - - " October 15, 1830

Four of Esther and Joseph's children lived to celebrate their 50th or Golden Wedding Anniversary. Their names are as follows:

Benjamin and Mary Ritter

James and Ruth Stover McGruder (They were married in 1841 and celebrated 50th anniversary in 1891)

Jacob Y. Stover and Susan Stover
Susanna Stover and Isaac Smith

Emma Orilla Smith, daughter of Susanne and Isaac Smith, married George Albert Gould Dec. 27, 1876, and celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary in Davenport, Iowa, Dec. 27, 1926.

Louisa Warren married John Tantlinger on April 24, 1853, and they celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary April 24, 1903, at Lone Tree, Iowa.

Two of Joseph and Esther Stover's granddaughters celebrated their 50th wedding anniversaries, which makes a record of 7 Golden Wedding Anniversaries in three generations.

The following shows a record of the marriage and death of Jeremiah Stover's brothers and sisters:

Margaret Stover died February 1, 1835

John Stover died November 16, 1858 of Typhoid Fever

Rachel Stover Smith departed this life November 22, 1858 of Typhoid Fever. She had been married in Indiana to Abe Smith and divorced. They had one son, Riley Smith, who died and is buried in Montana.

Jacob Stover lived to be 107 years old. (Joseph Stover's oldest brother).

Elizabeth Stover (Aunt Betsy) was born March 8, 1812, in Indiana and married James Ralston when she was 14 years old, so it must have been in 1826. Three children were born to this union.

Joseph Ralston married Nancy Phillips. They owned and lived on the 38 acres which is known as Charlie Stover's house. Jeremiah Stover purchased it in war time for the sum of \$400.00, as Joe Ralston went to fight for his country in the Civil War. His wife's folks, the Al Phillips, owned the farm which is known as the Pitlick farm. Elizabeth Ralston was the second child. She married George Nation. They lived for many years in Alliance, Nebraska. They had several children. I remember only the names of William and Nina. Nina stopped to see us a few years ago on her way to Washington, D. C. Will Nation is dead. He was a State Senator and had one of the largest cattle and sheep ranches in Nebraska.

The third child, Sally Ralston married Aaron Cannot, - they had a large family. I remember only the names of Theodore, Jerry and Frank Cannot.

James Ralston, husband of Elizabeth Stover Ralston, died of cholera in 1833. Elizabeth Ralston (Stover) was married the second time to Samuel Walker. He was a brother of Joseph and Henry Walker of Pleasant Valley, Township, Johnson County, Iowa. They had six children; Jeremiah Walker was the oldest. He married Sarah Lockland they lived on a farm near Lincoln, Nebraska, where he specialized in thoroughbred horses. They had five children, ^{ONE IS} Two are dead. ^{BENNAVIE} ^{Fair Providence} married a man named Wilcox and lives in Arizona, Iva married a man by the name of Wilcox and they live near Lincoln, Nebraska. ^(Lloyd WILCOX-PASSED AWAY IN 1938) (SISTERS MARRIED BROTHERS)

Catherine Walker is single and lives at Tustin, California. Jerry Walker left his wife and later married Mrs. John Warner (formerly of Iowa City) in Denver. They went to California to live. He left her and went to the Soldiers' Home at Leavenworth, Kansas. His body was found in the Missouri River weighted down with rocks. He had been murdered. He was a soldier in the Civil War.

Jake and Ike Walker were twins. They married women by the names of Hupp and Posey. I never saw them so don't know anything about their families, but the last I heard they were living in Oklahoma.

Lucinda Walker married Bill Coventry. They had one daughter, Hattie Coventry. Later they were separated. Hattie is dead. Lucinda went to live in Chicago, Ill. Later she married a man by the name of John Shettler. They had one daughter, Della, who is married and lives in Providence, Rhode, Island. John Shettler died and later Lucinda married Nicholas Bernard and had one daughter, Addie. Addie is married and is living in Chicago. Lucinda left Bernard and her fourth marriage was to John McDonald (a travelling man). They had one son, Roy McDonald. Mr. McDonald was killed as he was boarding a street car. He fell and was run over. Lucinda is now dead.

Liddy Ann Walker married Bill Dudley. They had one son, Ezra,

Liddy Ann died. Ezra Dudley died in Muscatine, Iowa in 1941.

John Walker married Sade Woodruff. They had four children, Sherman, Libbie, Samuel, and Hattie, and the last I knew they were living in Oklahoma. John is dead. Libbie married a man named Lynn. Elizabeth Stover Walker died on July 29, 1888, and is buried in Jefferson City, Montana. Libbie Walker Lynn lives in Shelby County, Iowa, and has a large family of boys.

Rachel Stover, second daughter, was born in Wayne County, Indiana, May 16, 1813, married Abe Smith, and they had one son, Riley Smith, then were divorced. Riley Smith married Emma Wise of Pleasant Valley Township. They had one son, George Smith; later they were divorced. Riley's second wife was Belle Shepherd. They had four daughters - Nellie, Elva, Kitty, and I don't know the name of the other one. They moved to Montana and later Riley died. Rachel Smith is buried in Oakland Cemetery, Iowa City, Iowa.

Sarah Stover was born January 18, 1815. She married Seth Warren. They had six children. He passed away after the last child was born. Louisa Warren was the oldest. She married John Tantlinger. They had several children. John Tantlinger, Jr. died when he was in College at Mt. Pleasant, Iowa. Louisa and John Tantlinger celebrated their Golden Wedding on April 24, 1903.

May Tantlinger married Henry Lane and lives in Iowa City. They have four children. Elmer, who is a Y.M.C.A. worker is in the East. He is married and lives in Buffalo, New York. Ethel Lane, who was a school teacher, married a man named Whitehead at Panora, Iowa. Ruth Lane, who is called "Professor Lane" now, has a position with the State University of Iowa. Orpha Lane is a Methodist Missionary to China. Henry Lane is dead.

Della Tantlinger married Dr. Ed Kuth. They had three children, Una, Vervyl and Zana. One daughter lives in New York City. Vervyl is a doctor and lives in Des Moines, Iowa. Una Lane married a man by the name of Moody and lives in Idaho.

Walter Tantlinger married Jean Haywood of Beacon, N.Y. He served in the Spanish-American War. He was a member of Calumpit Camp #26, United Spanish War Veterans, and was Commander of the organization. The last 22 years of his life he lived in California. His death occurred in February, 1941, in Sawtell National Hospital, as a result of injuries he received when a gasoline torch he was using in his orange orchard exploded. Surviving him are his widow, four daughters - Mrs. Helen Richards, Pomona, California; Mrs. Jean Ebersole, Tustin, California; Mrs. Ruth Newman, Oxnard, California; and Mrs. Noma Sorenson of Vancouver, B.C.; one son, Keith, who is at home; two sisters, Mrs. H. C. Lane of Iowa City and Mrs. C. E. Ruth of Des Moines, Iowa. He was a graduate of State University of Iowa.

Silas Warren was Sarah Warren's second child. He went to California during the discovery-of-gold excitement there. He stayed several years. He married Sarah Ann Gardner in California and came back to Iowa and lived on the Nosek place northeast of Indian Lookout Hill. They had several children but I remember only one, Mattie Warren.

Joseph Warren was the third child. He married Libbie Wilson. They lived in Liberty Township several years, then in Iowa City, and finally located at Grand Island, Nebr. They had five sons. I remember only Jesse, the oldest, and Will. Have forgotten the names of the others.

Seth Warren, the fourth child of Seth and Sarah, married Linda Flake, who lived near Lone Tree. Their children were:

Ella Warren, who married David Switzer (both have been dead
several years)
Silas, Mary, Nina and Jake

Hester Warren, the fifth child of Seth and Sarah, married Selva Street. They had one son, Joseph. Both Hester and Selva are dead. Joseph Street went to Montana, married and died there. I met him on the train from Jefferson City to Helena, Montana when I was there in June, 1888.

Martha Warren, the sixth child of Seth and Sarah, married Thomas Paulsen. They had two sets of twins. Martha and Thomas both passed away some time ago.

Jeremiah Stover drove to Indiana and brought his sister, Sarah Warren, and family to Iowa after the death of her husband, Seth Warren. They lived in her father's old log house just north of the barn as he had built a new brick house just south of the barn. Sarah Warren's second marriage was to Joseph Wallace. He owned what was the Wallace and Mathes farms in Liberty Township and she went there to live, and lived there the rest of her life. They were the parents of five children - Sade, Mary, James, Jacobmiah and John.

Sade married Oliver Smith. They had one son, John Smith.

Mary Wallace married Lew Heubner. They had one son, Arthur Wallace Heubner. Mary and Lew separated and Mary's second marriage was to Tobias Smelser. Mary and Tobias had one son, Walter Warren Smelser. Mary and Tobias both died in Montana.

James Wallace married a widow in Montana. I do not remember her name.

Jacobmiah Wallace married Zara Shellady. Their children were Sarah, Elser, Lilburn, Goldie, Esther and Ruth. Jake died at Park City, Montana. Zara had a stroke in 1941. Some of the younger girls live in Los Angeles, California. Zara Wallace died in March, 1942.

John Wallace married Belle Shellady (a cousin of Jake's wife). They had several children. Charley and Bertha were the oldest. They moved to Colorado, and from there to California. Belle is dead and so is her daughter Bertha. John and Charley lived together for some time and later John passed away. John Wallace was a posthumous child, being born several months after the death of his father, who was drowned while trying to cross the Iowa River to bring back some of his cattle that were on the other side.

Sarah Wallace died on the farm where she had lived so long. She is

buried in Oakland Cemetery beside her father and mother in Iowa City, Iowa.

Katherine Stover married Joseph Weaver. They were the parents of four children - Mary, Sarah, Jane and Joseph. Jane married a man named Oliver and lived in Kansas City, Missouri for a long time. She is now living in Los Angeles, California. Joseph married and there were two children. He and his wife separated. One of his daughters lives in Pasadena, California. He was married again to a woman of Mormon religion.

The Weavers moved from Indiana to Erie, Kansas, in Neosho County, in the 1870's. Aunt Katy Weaver passed the winter of 1883 and 1884 in Iowa City, Iowa, visiting her brothers and sisters and their families. She ate Christmas dinner at her brother's - Jeremiah Stover. (She was the one who asked for the tintype of the Jeremiah Stover family taken on the 31st of October, 1870).

In September, 1837, Joseph Stover, our grandfather, rode horseback to Iowa to look at the country. In March, 1838, they left their home in South Bend, Indiana, travelling with 66 other wagons. It took them six weeks to make the trip as there were no travelled roads and they travelled by prairie schooners drawn by oxen. They crossed the Mississippi at Bloomington (now Muscatine) by ferry. They arrived at their destination May 6, 1838, and settled southwest of Sandtown, about three-quarters of a mile on the river bank. They stayed there only a year as they were all ill so much of the time with the ague. They moved to Iowa County near Lytle City.

Six of Joseph Stover's children came to Iowa with him. They were Mary, Jerry, Ruth, Jacob, Susanna and John.

Mary Stover (or Aunt Polly, as we called her) was married to Benjamin Kitter, August 17, 1838, in Pleasant Valley, Johnson County, Iowa, at the residence of her parents, Joseph and Esther Stover, who lived in a log house. It was a double wedding - Benjamin, Mary, and Martin Smith and Martha McLucas. Both Mary and Martha, the two brides, wore calico dresses with caps and veils of tulle for their wedding. Not having a mirror, Mary Stover looked into a pail of water

to adjust her wedding veil before the wedding. Justice of the Peace, George McCoy, officiated. He came over from Rochester, Cedar County, Johnson and Cedar Counties being linked for Civil purposes.

Mary and Benjamin Ritter were married first, so they had the honor of being the first bride and groom in Johnson County, Iowa. They had seven children. They lived together 66 years and she survived him eleven years, passing away in 1917 at the age of 99. They celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Israel Ritter, who was a preacher, was killed at the Battle of Gettysburg. He was the oldest son of Benjamin and Mary Ritter.

Jacob M. Ritter married Lide Trine. They had four children, Mark, Frank, Harry and Alta. Alta died in Texas a few years ago. Jake lived in Jennings, Louisiana for several years, then moved to Texas. Jacob and Lide are both dead and so is their son Harry.

Barbara (Belle) Ritter married David Trine. They were the parents of two girls, Mary and Kate Trine. Mary Trine married Charles Leslie and lives at Orange, Texas. They had five sons. Do not know their names. Kate Trine married Dr. Everett Richardson and they lived at Webster City, Iowa, later moving to Ames, Iowa, where Dr. Richardson died. They had a daughter, Muriel, and three sons, Everett, Robert and Lynn. David Trine died in the early 1870's of diseases contracted in the Civil War. I think it was "T.B." He was commissioned a Lieutenant for leading a charge of the 22nd Iowa Infantry into Vicksburg.

In 1875, Barbara Trine married Frank Stratton. To this union three daughters were born, Blanche, Frankie and Maude. Blanche married Irving Cozine and lives in Oregon. Her husband passed away some time ago. Frankie Stratton married J. Edwin Stover and lives in Muscatine, Iowa. Maude married Clifford Huff (who passed on some years ago). They had two children, Jeannette and Clifford. Jeannette is married and lives in Waterloo, Iowa. Clifford has been called to the Army.

Dr. John Ritter married Mollie Janney. They had one son, Lluellyn Benjamin Ritter. He lives in California. Dr. John Ritter lived in Roosevelt, Oklahoma. He died in the spring of 1942 at the age of 86. His wife preceded him in death by 20 years. He is survived by the son mentioned above.

Jeremiah Stover, our father, was born in Wayne Co., Indiana, September 7, 1819. He arrived in Johnson County, Iowa, May 6, 1838, at the age of 18. He was the first school teacher in Johnson County. This was on Buck Creek in the present Pleasant Valley Township. It was on James Walker's claim and was styled the Walker Schoolhouse. The schoolhouse was built of logs, had a puncheon floor and split slabs for seats. It had a mud fireplace and a chimney daubed with mud. There were no windows, but openings for them, over which were nailed old rag rugs. Jeremiah Stover boarded around a week at a time at each pupil's home. He received the magnificent sum of \$1.50 per pupil for the 3-month's term. He had 13 pupils.

In 1840 Jeremiah Stover was twenty-one years of age. He told his father, Joseph Stover, that he was going back to Johnson County to live as he did not like to live in Iowa County. So they went down and picked out a farm of 240 acres where the airport is now located. Jeremiah rode horseback to Dubuque, Iowa, and purchased this land, paying \$1.25 an acre for it. The money for this purchase, which amounted to \$800.00, was carried in a belt around his waist. He made the trip both ways in fine shape but there were many bandits and Indians and it was necessary for him to keep out of their way. He had only a trail to follow on this journey and the country was very wild and unsettled as there were so many Indians—the Sacs and the Foxes. Old Powshiek was a chief of one of these tribes. There was a tower on Lookout Hill, on the highest point back of the Miller Place, where the Sacs kept a watch to see if the Foxes were coming,

Jeremiah Stover came from a family of warriors. His father, a native Virginian, served in the War of 1812; and his grandfather also was born in the Old Dominion, was with George Washington two years, and was present at the

surrender of Cornwallis.

Jeremiah Stover made three trips to Indiana to bring his sisters, who had become widows, to Iowa: Rachel Smith and son Riley Smith, Sarah Warren and her six children, and Betsey Walker and her three children.

Jeremiah Stover and Martha Ann Gardner were married on March 18, 1844. (The Gardners lived on the place that was known as the "Marling" Place or Farm). They rode horseback and forded the river and were married by Benjamin Ritter, Justice of the Peace in Pleasant Valley Township. They had two children--Vicars, born in 1845 and who died at the age of ten months, and Martha Ann Stover who was born May 26, 1847. Martha Ann Gardner Stover died in 1847. They were living at the foot of Lookout Hill on the west side of the road. Jeremiah owned what was the Riley Smith and later the Nosek farm on the east side of the road. He later traded this farm to his father for 57 acres of timber on the banks of the Iowa River.

Jeremiah Stover started for California in 1849, just after the discovery of gold there. He went down the Mississippi River to New Orleans and boarded a sailing vessel to cross the Gulf of Mexico. The vessel was becalmed so long it was given up for lost, but the wind began to blow and they finally reached the mouth of the Chagres River. They walked 28 miles across the Isthmus of Darien (now the Isthmus of Panama) and took a boat up the Pacific Ocean for San Francisco. On this boat, their main diet was rice that was wormy. Each passenger had to pick the worms out of a cup of rice each day, before it was cooked. He never could eat rice after that.

A man met the boat when it anchored at San Francisco and offered them \$15.00 a day if they would pull weeds. Being short of cash, Jeremiah and two other fellows accepted the job. They went up a hill to a house to eat dinner and the lady served them bread and milk. They had been on such a starvation diet on the boat that Jerry was afraid to eat as much as he wanted, but the other men filled up and they were sick that afternoon. They went uptown that night to buy

some boots and had to pay \$15.00 for them.

Jerry was in California for five years. He mined and then kept a store at Rough and Ready. He returned by sailing around South America through the Strait of Magellan, which was such rough sailing he thought he would never get through. He went up the Atlantic Ocean to New York City and across the United States to Iowa City by rail. His reason for choosing this kind of a trip was that he was in danger of being massacred by the Indians as soon as he crossed the Missouri River. He brought home \$2,500.00 in gold, a large gold nugget, a watch and chain of 60 links, each link containing a dollar's worth of gold.

Jerry Stover purchased 87 acres of land in Liberty Township. He then bought a saw mill, sawed enough lumber to build the house and stable, and then later built a five-board fence all around this land. During the Civil War he purchased 38 acres of land from Joseph Ralston who had to go to war. He paid \$400.00 for this land and it lay just west of the land he then owned. Later he purchased 180 acres from Bill Lewis. This made him a total of 300 acres. He lived on this farm the rest of his life.

Martha Ann Stover (Jeremiah's oldest daughter) was married to Edwin Trine, August 22, 1871, in Marengo, Iowa. They were the parents of three children: Leonidas Orville, born Oct. 1, 1873; Ivy Trine, born Feb. 17, 1881; David Knox Trine, born July 1, 1888. Leonidas died at an early age.

Ivy Trine married John Shoemaker. They were the parents of three children: Ada, Mary and Jack. Jack died in infancy. Ada Shoemaker married Charles Badley. They have one daughter, Beverly Ann Badley, six years old. Mary Iva Shoemaker married Mike Geyer. They have one son, Melvin Guyer. They were divorced and on June 1, 1941, she married Jesse Gaddis and they are now living in Buffalo, New York.

David Knox Trine married Loretta Curl at Osborne, Kansas, April 12, 1914. Loretta died on June 24, 1915, when their only child was born. In 1917 David Trine married Mary Hale and they are now living on a farm near Alton, Kansas.

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Martha Ann Trine, mother of Ivy and David, died July 1, 1903.

Jeremiah Stover was married the second time to Louisa Booze (who was born at Rockville, Park County, Indiana, Dec. 27, 1834). They were married Nov. 22, 1857, in Pleasant Valley Township by Benjamin Ritter, Justice of the Peace, at his residence south of Sandtown. To this union were born eleven children:

John R. Stover,	born Nov. 29, 1858
Joseph E. Stover,	" Mar. 30, 1861
Levisa Alice Stover	" May 15, 1862
Jeremiah Scott Stover	" Apr. 26, 1864
Euphemia Louisa Stover	" Dec. 30, 1865
Charles Edgar Stover	" June 9, 1867
Ella Esther Stover	" Sept. 14, 1868
Jacob G. Stover	" Dec. 30, 1869
William Stover	" Dec. 23, 1871
Thomas Guy Stover	" Sept. 14, 1873
Jessie Elizabeth Stover	" Aug. 18, 1875

William Stover died at birth.

Thomas Guy Stover died of diphtheria on January 3, 1880, at the age of 7.

Jessie Elizabeth Stover died of diphtheria on January 20, 1880, at the age of 5.

John R. Stover was married August 6, 1884, to Sarah Emma Sterrett, at the residence of her father, William Sterrett, on South Linn St., Iowa City, Iowa. To this union four children were born: Sophia Louisa Stover, born May 23, 1885; Jeremiah Stover, born December 17, 1886 (he died July 12, 1887); Russell William Stover, born May 6, 1888; Jessie Emma Stover, born January 26, 1890.

Sarah Emma Sterrett Stover died February 13, 1890 of influenza when Jessie was only 18 days old.

On January 2, 1908, John R. Stover married Mrs. Augusta Siegling. They had two sons, John Taft Stover and Charles Peter Stover. John Taft was born January 20, 1909, Charles Peter was born Sept. 9, 1919. John R. Stover died January 26, 1927, at Denver, Colorado, at the residence of his son, Russell W. Stover.

Sophia Louisa Stover was married on July 15, 1909 to Warren Glaspey. The marriage ceremony was performed in Chicago and they went to Weyburn, Sask., Canada, to live and they are still residing there. Six children were born to this union:

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Stanley Glaspey,	born Jan. 24, 1911
Maurice Glaspey,	" Oct. 25, 1912
John Leslie Glaspey,	" Mar. 29, 1914
Douglas Glaspey,	" Aug. 15, 1915
Ralph Glaspey,	" Aug. 2, 1919
Joyce Margaret Glaspey,	" May 13, 1925

Stanley Glaspey was married December 5, 1942, to Miss Joyco Rowbottom at Nanaimo, Canada. About a month after his marriage he went into the Army.

Maurice Glaspey has been married about two years and has one daughter, Marie Glaspey. They are living in Weyburn, Sask., Canada

Leslie Glaspey married a girl in Hawaii and lived there until the summer of 1942. He has two sons, Warren Russell Glaspey and John Leslie Glaspey. Leslie and family now live in Los Angeles, California.

Douglas Glaspey married a girl from Hawaii and they have one son, Nicholas Harry, born September 14, 1942, in Kamuela, Hawaii. Douglas is a soldier in the U. S. Army. He has taken his test to become an officer.

Ralph Glaspey has been living in California for the last three years. He is doing some special defense work.

Joyce Glaspey is still at home with her parents in Canada.

Russell Stover married Clara Lewis on June the 17th, 1911. They were married in Chicago and then went to western Canada to live where Russell had a tract of land of 580 acres. They lived there for a year and then moved to Winnipeg, Canada, where they resided for three years. In 1915 they came back to United States. Russell was a salesman for the A. G. Morse Candy Company and Sunte's Candy for three or four years. In 1921 he perfected, named and promoted the Eskimo Pie. This was one of the fastest selling ice-cream confections that was ever placed on the market; 1300 ice-cream manufacturers were licensed to sell this

Eskimo Pie in 90 days, something which was unheard of in the history of the country. He was written up in newspapers all over the country from coast to coast--about the unique idea. Was also written up in magazines and given the credit of saving the country of Ecuador from going into bankruptcy by using so much chocolate coating for the Eskimo Pies. He was offered a million and a half for the sale of Eskimo Pie but refused it. Later he sold his interest in it and he and Clara started making candy in their bungalow in Denver in 1923. They first opened one store, then two, and so on until today they have 24 stores and three factories and over 1,000 agencies handling their candy, and are employing around 700 employees. Their headquarters for Mrs. Stover's Bungalow Candies was in Denver for six years, where they lived. Later they moved to Chicago and had their headquarters there for two years and then moved to Kansas City in 1931 and where they still reside. They have one daughter, Gloria Stover, who was born February the 10th, 1927. She is now 16 years old.

Jessie Emma Stover was married to Lemuel Theophilus Jones on December 22, 1921, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stover in Omaha, Nebraska. They went to live at Ottumwa, Iowa, where Mr. Jones held a position in the Ottumwa High School. Later they moved to Chicago where Mr. Jones was associated with Russell Stover in the Eskimo Pie. In 1928 they moved to Denver and lived there a short time and then came to Kansas City, where they are now living. They are the parents of six children:

Alan Jones, born March 5, 1923 - died in infancy
Lemuel Theophilus Jones, born March 15, 1924
Russell Stover Jones, born May 18, 1925
Thomas Jones, born March 26, 1927
Sally Jacqueline Jones, born Feb. 11, 1929
Mary Ann Jones, born April 21, 1931
John Paul Jones, born December 30, 1932

Lemuel, Russell and Thomas were born in Chicago; and Sally, Mary Ann and John Paul were born in Kansas City, Mo. Lemuel, Jr. and Russell Stover, are both attending Junior College at the present time and Lemuel has enlisted in the Navy Air Corps.

Joseph E. Stover, born March 30, 1861, celebrated his 81st birthday March 30, 1942. He married Ingemisca McLaughlin November 7, 1894. They have four children:

Burdette Stover, born June 4, 1896
Faye Stover, " April 1, 1900
Mabel Stover, " Oct. 15, 1903
Ira Joseph Stover, " July 7, 1906

Burdette Stover married Edith (Ida) Meier - no family. Faye Stover married Mahlon Amish. They have three children - Kathleen Amish, Howard Amish and Lou Ann Amish. Mabel Stover married Cyril Katzenmeyer. They have three children, Ruth Grace and Cyril Texas Katzenmeyer. Ira Joseph Stover married Florence Weed December 1, 1930. They have three children - Geraldine and Joan, twins, born May 7, 1932, and Gary Joseph Stover, born July 8, 1936.

Joseph E. Stover died September 7, 1942. He and Mrs. Stover lived together almost 48 years.

Levica Alice Stover, born May 15, 1862, married James R. McLaughlin December 14, 1882. They were the parents of eight children:

Eliza, born January 10, 1884 (dead)

Ira, born April, 1885 (dead)

George William McLaughlin, born August 4, 1886. George William McLaughlin married Jennie Eisker June 17th, 1916. They had one daughter, Doris McLaughlin. She graduated from S.U.I. in 1942. Mrs. George McLaughlin died and George married Eva Sherman. They had no family. Doris McLaughlin married Campbell Franklin Watts, August 27, 1942, in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Jeremiah Stover McLaughlin was born Oct. 27, 1888. He married Laura Pate. They had three children: Winifred McLaughlin, who married Dr. Lawrence H. Hall. They live in Los Angeles, California; Eunice McLaughlin, who is still at home; and Phoebe McLaughlin, a graduate nurse from S.U.I., 1942

Joseph McLaughlin, born January 11, 1891, married Bossie Debrie. They had two children: Theodore (Ted) McLaughlin, a sergeant in the Defense Army at Camp Claiborn, La. (is now in Ireland), and Miriam McLaughlin, at home.

Ella McLaughlin, born in May, 1892. She is dead.

Louise McLaughlin, born September 2, 1893. She married Lee Mathes.

They had one son; Lee Kenneth Mathes, who was born October 22, 1912. Louise and Lee were divorced. Louise was married again in November, 1936, to Clyde Randolph of Cedar Rapids.

James McLaughlin was born January 26, 1897. He lived at Iowa City and has never married.

Jeremiah Scott Stover was born April 26, 1864. He married Amy Robinson in 1898. They have eight children:

Florence Stover married Roy Cox. They have eight children - Clifford, Harold, Lewis, Donald, Lila, Leona and Darlene--do not know the other one's name.

Euphemia Stover married Louis Zimmerman. They have six children: Arthur, Duane, Blaine, and Margaret. Don't know the names of the other two.

Erma Stover married Leo Mullinex. They have four children: Irene Stover, who married Gordon Van Cleave, lives in St. Louis and has four children, Marjorie, Joan, Gloria and Gordon Van Cleave, Jr.

Amy Levica Stover married Virgil Henderson. She got a divorce and married Marion Dunnoway. They had one child, Joan. They live in DeWitt, Iowa.

June Stover married Russell Yedlick. They had one daughter named Donna. They live in Iowa City.

Orvetta Stover married Herbert Rath of Riverside, Iowa. They have five children and live in Lone Tree, Iowa.

Euphemia Louisa Stover, born December 30, 1865, was a Johnson Co., Iowa School teacher for a number of years. She married Edwin Trine May 22, 1907 and they lived in Alton, Kansas for several years. They had one child - Louisa Isabella Trine, born May 3, 1908. She died May 3, 1908. Edwin Trine died December 23, 1913, and after his death Euphemia moved to Iowa City, Iowa, where she still resides.

Charles E. Stover was born June 9, 1867. He married Eva Adams in February, 1911. He died July 25, 1924, and is buried in Oakland Cemetery, Iowa City, Iowa. There was no family.

Ella Esther Stover was born September 14, 1868. She married Charles A. Hauth December 20, 1898. They live in Denver, Colorado. Their children are:

Charles Theodore Hauth, born July 10, 1900. He married Alma Case and they had two children - Barbara and Eldon. They are now separated.

Fredrica Hauth, born January 5, 1903.

Esther Hauth, born October 20, 1904

Stella Hauth. She married Paul Crocker. They have two children - Norma and Hamlet.

Wendell Hauth - single

Ellis Hauth, who is dead

Sophia Hauth, born Oct. 11, 1912. She married Gerald MacGinnis in June, 1936. They have one daughter - Patricia Deanna. They live in Denver.

Jacob T. Stover, born December 30, 1869, married Sophia Hauth, October, 1892. They had eleven children, whose names were:

Laura Stover, who married Allison Pinney. They had two children - Louise and Lloyd. Louise married Rex Gowan and they have two children. Lloyd is on a destroyer in the Atlantic Ocean.

Allison Pinney died December 25, 1939.

On November 11, 1941, Laura Pinney married Bernard Wilson.

Ida Stover married Lester Manning in Oklahoma. They have five children - Vera, Gladys, Juanita Esther and Eddie.

Ida died on May 9, 1926.

Vera Manning married Tom Creason of Riverside, California in 1932. They have two children - Lawrence and Charlotte.

Gladys Manning married Mr. Croft. They have one child, a girl. She is separated from her husband.

Juanita Manning married Charles Rennick. They had a son, Charles. Juanita divorced Charles and remarried. Her second husband is Geo. E. Lake of Riverside, California. They are now living in Riverside.

Esther Mae Manning married Loren Tefertiler of San Bernardino. They have no children.

Eddie Manning joined the U. S. Army in 1941. He was only $2\frac{1}{2}$ years old when his mother died in 1926. The oldest child, Vera, was 11.

After the mother (Ida Manning) died, Clara and Russell Stover took the five children and cared for them five years. This was during the time Mr. and Mrs. Stover lived in Denver. Then their father, Lester Manning, came to Denver and took three of the children to live with him there. Mr. and Mrs. Stover

moved to Chicago and took two of the children with them and kept them for about a year. Lester Manning then moved to California and the children went out to live with him.

Geneva Stover married Raymond Edward Alten, February 14, 1942, in Cleveland, Ohio.

Della Stover married Nelson Siegling. They had seven children. Several years ago they separated and were later divorced. Adelyn Siegling married Donald Campbell and they have one son, David Campbell.

Gertrude Siegling married Walter Hardy and they live in Cleveland, Ohio.

Elmer, Lee and Ray Siegling live with their father, Nelson Siegling; Ruth and Rita Siegling live with their mother, Della Siegling.

Esther Stover married William Coulter, a naturalist and scientist and lives at Edina, Mo. Mr. Coulter is Lieutenant Commander of a ship in the Navy at the present time and is in the Solomon Islands in the Pacific Ocean. For three years Esther and her husband travelled foreign shores collecting for New York Museum. They spent some time in Guam.

Horace Deemer Stover married Imogene Templeman. They live in Duluth, Minn. They have two children, both girls.

William Stover married Irene Kinney. He was divorced and married again. At present he is Lieutenant in the Coast Guard Marines.

Frederick Stover is dead - he was accidentally shot.

Sylvia Stover married Howard Jacobs and lives in Iowa City.

Stanley Stover is in Boston, Mass. at the present time. He was married Jan. 15, 1943 to Ruth Smith of Edina, Mo.

Mattie Anne Stover (single) lives in Iowa City, Iowa. She is a graduate of the State University.

Sophia Hauth Stover died in December, 1933. Jacob Stover lives in Iowa City, Iowa.

Ruth Stover was born September 10, 1821. She married James Magruder who was a native of Virginia. They were the parents of seven children. They celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary in 1891. The names of their children are:

John, who is dead

George, who married Anna Shepherd. They had three children - Elma and Elva (twins) and George, Jr. Elva died. George married James Sims and they had two children - Clinton and Margaret. Clinton has been married and divorced three times.

Margaret married Fritz Fields. They have one child and live in Chelan, Washington.

James Magruder, who married Millie Norris. They had three children - Alice, Edna and Lloyd Magruder. Alice Magruder married Archie Bowie and lives in Los Angeles, Calif. They have three children.

Edna Magruder married Moso Fountain. They have two sons and two daughters - Robert, Alice, Mildred and Lyle. They are all married and Mildred is divorced from her husband, Dewey Robshaw.

Lloyd Magruder married Nell Kayner. They had three children - Edwin, Harold and Gladys. Edwin Magruder is dead.

Mattie Magruder married Barton Nelson (who is dead). Mattie was born December 12, 1859. Her two sisters died young.

Joo Magruder died of spinal meningitis when he was about 15 years old.

Jacob Yount Stover was born August 4, 1823. He came with his father from Indiana to Iowa in 1838 at the age of fourteen. He made three trips to California, across the plains each time. The Indians were so savage he nearly lost his life several times. Once the mule he was riding went under when he was crossing the Platte River in Nebraska. He would have drowned if he had not been such a fine swimmer. He said the men stood on the bank shouting, "Jake Stover has drowned." He said he called back, "No, I am all right, get the mule out." So he swam downstream and landed on the west side of the Platte. In 1849 he drove an ox team across the plains. In 1859 he made his third trip driving a team of horses. He drove through Mountain Meadow where the following fall the frightful Mountain Meadow Massacre occurred. In the course of his journey, he was driven back repeatedly. He was lost in snow drifts and balked by impassable mountains. The men lived on horse flesh three weeks and twenty of the party died of starvation. After his own horse was killed, he and two or three other men went on foot and finally reached California. Jacob Yount Stover married Susan Switzer July 12, 1863. They were the parents of seven children:

U. S. Grant Stover, born June 1, 1864. Grant married Era Allen of Lone Tree. They had two children and one of them died. Claire Stover, his son, is married and lives at Greeno,

Iowa. U. S. Grant Stover died May 16, 1942, and was buried in Lone Tree Cemetery.

Joseph Stover died when a baby and is buried on his Grand-father's, Joseph Stover, lot in Iowa City (Oakland Cemetery).

Charles C. Stover married Amy Zimmerman. He has two daughters and a son. Lois, the youngest daughter, is married and lives in New York City. Charles Stover lives in Seattle, Washington.

Emma Stover, single, lives at 242 McGowan Ave., Iowa City, Iowa.

J. Edwin Stover married Frankie Stratton. He lives in Muscatine, Iowa. He was a mail clerk for many years but has now retired.

George Stover, a lawyer, is dead.

Bessie Elizabeth Stover was born September 22, 1875. She died November 12, 1941. She was a graduate of S.U.I. and of the Library School at Champaign, Ill. She held a position as cataloguer in the University library for twenty-six years and was head of the Cataloguing Department for several years.

Samuel Kirkwood Stover lives in Lansing, Michigan. He married Margaret Barnett of Madisonville, Kentucky. Sam graduated from the university as an electrical engineer. He is now manager of a telephone company.

Susanna Stover was born March 12, 1825. She married Isaac Smith.

They were the parents of seven children:

David Smith, who married Eliza Hartman and lived at Lennox, Iowa. They had a family, but I only know the name of one of them, Ross Smith. Both Dave and his wife are dead.

John Smith, who married Ella Wical. They had three children: Guy Smith of Kansas City, Mo., Nettie Smith, who married John Harvey and lives in Denver, Colo., and Grace Jeffrey who resides in Kansas City, Mo.

Addison Smith married Florence Singleton. They had six children: Bert Smith, who lived in Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Elmo Smith, Ollie Smith and Webb Smith, who were killed in a railroad accident; and two younger girls, who were twins, Ethel and Edith. One married a man named Moylan and the other a doctor in Ohio.

Elva Smith died of Typhoid Fever.

Emma Orilla Smith was a school teacher and married George A. Gould, Supt. of bridge construction on the C.R.I.&P. Railroad. They had two children - Gus and Grace. Grace married a man named Hunter and lives in Anaheim, California. The Goulds

were married December 27, 1876. They celebrated their Golden Wedding December 27, 1926. Both are dead.

Etta Smith married Dr. Andy Hoyt and they lived in Los Angeles. Dr. Hoyt is dead. They had no family.

Alice Smith was born April 29, 1862. She married Dr. Frank McCannon. She lives at San Pedros, Calif. They have two daughters and a son, who is in the Navy. Both daughters are married. Alice lives with the youngest daughter. Alice and the doctor were divorced. Dr. McCannon is dead.

And here ends the history of the geneology of Joseph Stover and his descendants from September 11, 1777, the day of his birth, to ^{April} July 28, 1943, or one hundred and sixty-five years.

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